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## Beverly Hills artSHOW This Weekend Features Over 240 Artists Family Friendly, Four Block Event Showcases Incredible Array of Art

The Beverly Hills artSHOW, featuring over 240 local, regional and national artists in eleven fine art and craft categories, runs this weekend, May 16 and 17—from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. each day—along the expanse of Beverly Gardens on Santa Monica Boulevard between Rodeo and Rexford Drive in the heart of Beverly Hills. The distinguished and dynamic Beverly Hills artSHOW, which is in its 41<sup>st</sup> year, is free to the public and a perfect way to enjoy Los Angeles' beautiful weekend weather with family, friends and community members. In addition to the great works of art, guests can enjoy live entertainment, family activities, gournet food trucks, a wine and beer garden and so much more. Convenient parking is located directly across from the show grounds.

Special feature exhibits include <u>Still Life and Object Painters</u> and <u>Animayza</u>. The <u>Still Life and Object Painting</u> genre, which has always attracted strong painters to this show, includes work by **Brian Blackham**, **Raymond Logan**, and **Bradford Salamon**, each a master of composition and oil painting technique who make everyday objects gleam. Fellow object painter **David Palmer**'s Pop Art objects and **Eul Hurley**'s complex, modern still life work will also be back. Traditional still life artists will include **Alice Hernandez-Gaona** and **Catherine Dzialo-Haller**. The accomplished still life and landscape artist **Carol Steinberg** will be demonstrating her technique on the "Rodeo Block" of the art show.

<u>Animazya</u> highlights several photographers, painters, printmakers and sculptors who focus on various styles of animal portraiture, a subject which has increased in popularity throughout all levels of the art world. These artists include photographers **Jesse Frieden** (dog photography!), **Fred Petermann** (wild horses) and **Shawn Harris** (award for most unique artist at the previous show). Painters, printmakers, and even a scratchboard artist include **Sergey Bagramayan**, **Sylvia Gonzales**, **Desarae Lee**, **Silvia Gallini**, and **Heather Lara** (awesomely detailed scratchboard animal portraits). **Time McClendon** (first place in sculpture at the last show) will display his fun and blingy creatures!

All artSHOW artists will be on site and available to talk with visitors about their work. All art is for sale and patrons come from Southern California and beyond to shop, collect and savor this art-filled weekend. A Sunday afternoon ceremony at the centrally located Lily Pond will feature announcements by Beverly Hills Mayor Julian Gold, M.D., including major show awards such as the Mayor's Purchase Award, Best of Show and Most Original Work.

The 2015 artSHOW's sponsor and media partners include: David Frank Design luxury swings, the LA Weekly, the Los Angeles Art Association, Fabrik Magazine, LA Art Party, Yelp, Whole Foods Market, Paley Center for Media, and the Beverly Hills Conference and Visitor's Bureau. Food and Beverage support come from Premiere Events and Beck's Beer. The show's charitable partner is Children's Hospital Los Angeles, and its sister organization, Healing Art with Kids.

For general information about the May 2015 Beverly Hills artSHOW, visit <a href="www.beverlyhills.org/artshow">www.beverlyhills.org/artshow</a> or call (310) 285-2530. For media inquiries, contact Dana Beesen at <a href="deesen@beverlyhills.org">deesen@beverlyhills.org</a> or call (310) 285-2530.



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